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1 Section 922(o), Illegal Possession of a Machine Gun, and Title 26, United States Code, Section 2 5861(f), Making of a Firearm in Violation of the National Firearms Act (Machine Gun). More specifically, it is alleged that Lesure has been manufacturing machine guns at his residence and 3 selling them to undercover agents. Agents are intending to arrest Lesure at his residence on Friday 4 morning. Accordingly, there is reason to believe that the disclosure of the information contained 5 6 within the Complaint—specifically that he has been selling machine guns to under cover law 7 enforcement agents—will jeopardize the investigation, including by giving Defendant Lesure an 8 opportunity to flee, destroy or tamper with evidence, or change patterns of behavior. 9 To facilitate Lesure's arrest, the Government respectfully requests that this Court grant the 10 Government's motion and seal the Complaint in this case, as well as this Motion and the Court's Order on this Motion. DATED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2021. 12 13 Respectfully submitted,

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1 FILED. UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DATED: 3:41 pm, July 22, 2021 2 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA** U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE 3 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Case No. 2:21-mj-00619-DJA 4 Plaintiff, 5 VS. ORDER TO SEAL CLEOPHUS D. LESURE, 6 7 Defendant. 8 9 Based on the pending Application of the Government, and good cause appearing therefor, 10 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Complaint, the Government's Application and this Court's 11 Sealing Order, in the above-captioned matter shall be sealed until further Order of the Court. 12 DATED this 22nd day of July, 2021. 13 14 HONORABLE DANIEL J. ALBREGTS UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE 15 16 The state of the s 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24